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## **GRADE CROSSING ENFORCMENT DETAIL NETS 80 CITATIONS**

RIVERSIDE, CA – On Wednesday, March 25, 2015, Traffic Officers from the Riverside Police Department, in conjunction with B.N.S.F Police conducted traffic enforcement at grade crossings within the City of Riverside. The operation took place between 7:30 am and 10:30 am. During the deployment, 80 citations were written for vehicle code sections related to grade crossings, distracted driving and trespassing violations. Three (3) vehicles were impounded due to driver's operating on suspended driver licenses.

According to the Federal Railroad Administration, in 2014 preliminary reports indicate there were 2,280 collisions at grade crossings in the U.S. resulting in 267 deaths and 832 injuries. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reminds motorists to NEVER attempt to beat a train or cross a track while grade control signals/lights are activated.

